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Saint Leo celebrates 40-year military relationship

By Ashley Reynolds
Contributing Writers

On Monday, Nov. 12, the Veteran's day ceremony kicked off Saint Leo's celebration of forty years educating those in the military.

This year, Saint Leo has seen an eighteen percent increase in the number of student veterans, and has educated one thousand troops while in combat operations. Forty years ago, Saint Leo made a commitment to educating those in the military who would otherwise be unable to get an education.

> "I thank Saint Leo University for serving those who serve," said Alexander P. Espinosa.

Saint Leo's dedication to veterans and active service members was apparent at the ceremony as faculty, staff, students, and guests crammed into every available seat to honor service members. Audience members were still filing into the Activities Center even after the ceremony was supposed to start, and several people had to line against the walls.

Veterans from all branches of the military were honored, and as each flag was presented, veterans from each branch stood. Those who did not serve in the military waved American flags in an overwhelming show of support. One of the men in attendance was a veteran from World War II, while others fought in the Vietnam War.

Just the FACTS, the staff and faculty chorus, sang patriotic songs to honor those people who served, and the Saint Leo University ROTC presented the colors. Gustavo Joel Cancel performed "Letters from War," a story of a son at war and his mother praying for his safe return home.

Alexander P. Espinosa, professor of military science, quoted G.K. Chesterton during his speech: "Courage is almost a contradiction in terms. It means a strong desire to live taking the form of a readiness to die." Even though the ceremony was primarily to celebrate the living veterans, the fallen were not forgotten, and a commemorative wreath was presented to remember those who died in combat. Espinosa in particular remembered his fallen friend, Paul, and spoke about their close connection.

Guest speaker Dr. Angela Manos-Sittnick, retired colonel in the U.S. army, talked about her experiences as one of the first women in the military. She joined the army when they were just beginning to integrate women, and she was the only female in her unit.

"I had to work twice as hard to prove myself capable," she said.

She endured sexual harassment, pressure from the age and gender norm-based tests, and resent from men that resisted the change.

"What the institution was trying to change was people… But the fact is some people never get it, never change. But most do."

Despite adversity, Manos-Sittnick worked her way up through the ranks, and was eventually posted in Afghanistan, where she was ambushed by the Taliban.

"The invisible injuries are much harder to identify," she said as she described her head trauma and PTSD.

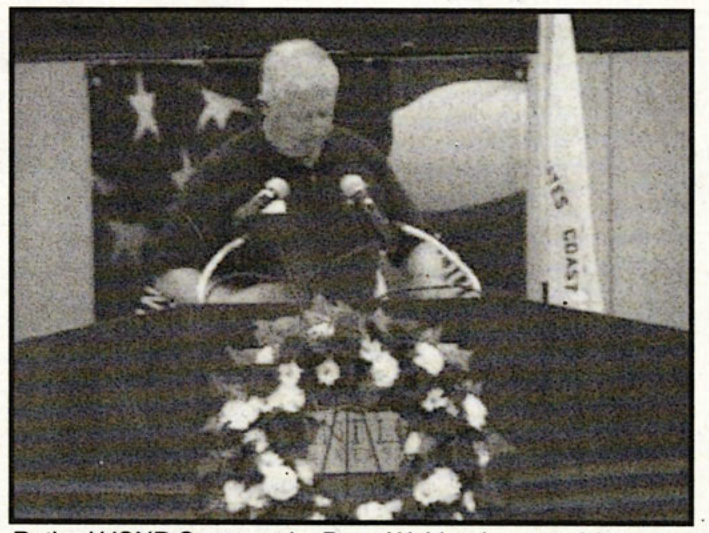
She was assigned a service dog, Ewok, who stayed by her side through the entire ceremony.

"Saint Leo's core values are consistent with those I have lived with my whole life," she said.

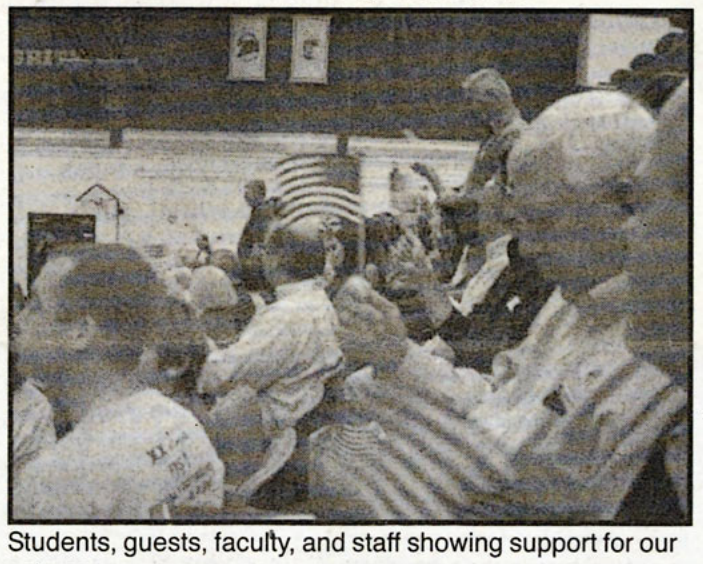
As she finished her speech, the entire audience cheered and stood to thank her for both her speech and her service.

After the ceremony, the university released doves as a symbol of peace.

"Dear Lord, today we have honored our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best," said Father Stephan Brown.



Retired USNR Commander Peter Wubbenhorst and the commemorative wreath honoring fallen soldiers



Students, guests, faculty, and staff showing support for our veterans

Dr. Arthur F. Kirk, Jr., President of Saint Leo University, welcoming the veterans.

The Lion's Pride Newspaper would like to thank all veterans who have served in the past and present. Thank you for your honor, courage, and committment.

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Boy Meets World Sequel

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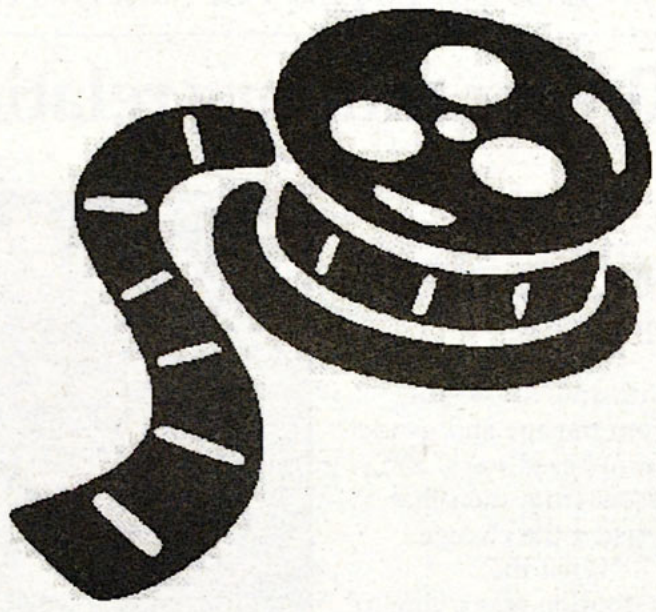

The 90's can be remembered for the wide variety of tween story lines that dominated television. Boy Meets World, a teen sitcom, and an ABC fan favorite, emerged in the 1990's and became an instant hit. And while the show has since ended, the various repeat shows have done a good job of keeping that loyal audience. But now, after all this time, it has been confirmed that the hit series will return with a sequel.

On Nov. 7, Disney issued the first casting rundown for the new hit series. The new series will be called "Girl Meets World," and will follow Corey and Topanga's daughter, Riley Mathews, through her teenage years. Riley's character is said to be cheery and optimistic. Her friend, Maya Nolastame, will also be featured along-side Riley. Her character is "dark and edgy", similar to Shawn Hunter's character on the original show. The two are supposed to resemble the female counterparts to Cory and Shawn.

The series fills viewers in on what the family has been up to since we last saw them. Cory and Topanga fans will be surprised to know that they also have a fourteen year old son named Elliot. Original Boy Meets World fans may be uneasy about the fact that the ages of the children do not match up with the time frame of the last episode, but you can't change television. Go with it. There is also another shocker. Apparently, Cory has taken on Mr. Feeny's role as teacher and mentor. Yes, it is true. Cory will be teaching his daughter and her friend Maya in the new series.

Those who are wondering if any of the original cast members will make an appearance it has not yet been confirmed. However, Disney Channel has posted information on their unofficial page indicating that both Ben Savage and Danielle Fishel are involved in the Disney Channel audition process. There have also been some tweet sightings as well. According to examiner.com, both Savage and Fishel have tweeted several hints to friends and viewers. "You never know," tweets Fishel on Brooklyn Decker's tweet about there being a possible reunion. It looks like a Cory and Topanga reunion may be in the works. But we have to wait to see.

The sequel is a surprise to many. Fans may wonder about the success of the new series, especially if there are not any original cast members involved. There is no way to tell how this series will compare to the original, but we can applaud Disney for trying. Those who are avid Boy Meets World fans should get ready to tune in!

Local food hot pots: Sonny's Real Pit BBQ

By Cheyenne Johnson
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For students who are all about the barbeque lifestyle, head on over to Sonny's Barbeque. This is located about a half mile down the road from the Walmart Supercenter on the left, near Pizza Hut.

Sonny's has a saying, "If it's not smoking outback, it's not Sonny's up front." This basically is stating that they are all about barbequing their food.

Sonny's has great deals and specials. Every day of the week there is one item on the menu chosen to have its price lowered for a limited time known as the "special". Not to mention the restaurant already has great prices: $12.99 for all you can eat ribs.

Every meal comes with a choice of a drink, two sides, and garlic bread or cornbread.

The sides include, but are not limited, to the following: corn nuggets, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, and corn. The helpings are plentiful and the drinks always run large.

One of their many combinations includes ribs, cornbread, baked beans, and a baked potato. There are different types of sauces to put on the ribs, so there is always a great variety for any taste.

The customer service is great. Customers wait to be seated, which does not take long at all. The servers take the drink ordesr right away and bring them within minutes. The food does not take long to cook, and it is always cooked to perfection.

"Nothing says southern barbeque and service like Sonny's!" said Senior Lyn San Giacomo.

For those students who do not like barbeque that much, but are accompanying someone who does, Sonny's has an all you can eat salad bar.

There is also a decent size children's menu for students who have younger siblings or kids of their own.

Sonny's also does catering for any student who has a party and would like to have barbeque food items.

Sonny's is definitely the place to check out for students who enjoy good barbequed food.

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Overview of the United States Electoral College

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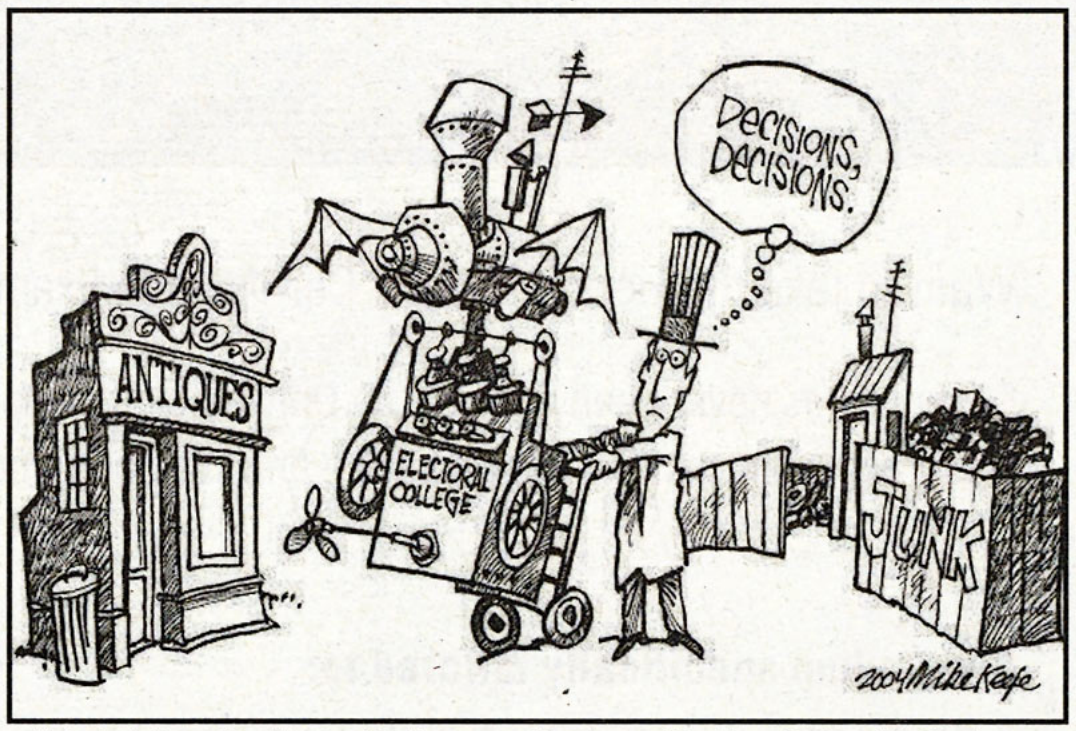

This depiction of the Electoral College was taken from a blog from Students' Reflections on U.S. Government and Politics.

Call it destiny or luck, the feat of President Obama winning both the popular and electoral votes in the 2012 presidential election is remarkable and rare. Presidents in the past might have won the popular vote, but that might not have been conclusive enough to be declared the president. How is this possible?

The Electoral College, by the stipulation of the United States Constitution, is a process adopted under the U.S. democratic culture to elect the president and the vice president. This exercise is essential because a simple plurality (majority of the popular votes), is not decisive to elect a president to the White House. In any case, it is dependent on the results of the Electoral College. The process considers three main stages:

The selection of the electors.

The meeting of the electors.

The counting of the electoral votes.

By Article II of the U.S. Constitution, the power vested in the president emanate from the popular votes of eligible voters and electoral votes (the latter also described as votes from the Electoral College). By popular votes, the president and vice president must obtain 51 percent of the vote from legitimate voters through the exercise of their universal adult suffrage. It must be explained here that by the demand of the constitutional design, this simple plurality may not carry the president to office, as might be the common approach in most democratic countries across the globe, until the president secures 270 minimum votes from the Electoral College.

The selection of the electors under the Electoral College is done by the political parties in each state or their central committees of special party faithful or leaders or of people of outstanding merit in the party, and that may differ from one state to the other. Each state is entitled to one elector in the House of Representatives and two electors in the Senate. In all, a total of 538 electors is composed.. The technical reality in the process is that, as the eligible citizens tend to vote for their presidential candidate on the slot, they invariably vote for the selection of the electors as well.

By Article II Section I Clause 2 of the U.S. Constitution, special exclusion is made of a section of the members of the House or the Senate who may not be eligible for selection as electors. Such category of congressmen includes those holding additional public office in the executive or judicial administration or any public office of trust. Also, people of bad record of insurrection and rebellion against the state, or any form of display of disloyalty recorded on him or her may disqualify such entity, as entrenched in the 14th Amendment. One notable event in the process is that a presidential candidate who wins by simple plurality in the popular votes in any state, automatically wins or takes all of the electoral votes in that state with the exception of Maine and Nebraska, which employ a proportional representational approach.

The other phase of the process (the Electoral College) is the meeting of the electors, which usually takes place on the first Monday after the second Wednesday in December of the election year. With special emphasis on the 2012 election, Dec. 17 has been set aside as the date for the meeting of the electors. Prior to the meeting, the governors of each state prepare what is called the Certificate of Ascertainment. The Certificate of Ascertainment contains the list of the names of all of the candidates who ran for the presidency in the state as well as the electors of that state with the winning presidential candidate in that state clearly indicated on the list. The Certificate of Ascertainment is forwarded to the Congress and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), which receives the document, signed and sealed by the Governors, for record keeping purposes. Before the meeting of the electors, any controversies surrounding the results of the electors must be resolved. The electors then vote on the presidential and vice presidential slots on different ballots and the results put on a special slot called the Certificate of Votes, which is prepared by the electors, signed, sealed, and sent to the Congress and the NARA.

The copy of the Certificate of Votes to Congress goes to the Senate, where the vice president presides over affairs. Dec. 26 has been set as the deadline for the submission of the Certificate of Votes to Congress and the NARA for this year's election. A joint session of the House and the Senate is held to do the counting of the ballot. This session will be held on Jan. 6, 2013.

In the event of any conflicting results of the electoral votes, the electors are permitted to reach a compromise. Otherwise, the joint session of the House and Senate shall resort to the vote count on the Certificate of Ascertainment, presented it to Congress by the governors of the various states, signed and sealed. If the president fails to secure the 270 electoral votes required, then by the powers of the instrument of the 12th Amendment, the House of Representatives shall elect the president by simple majority, taking into account the first three presidential candidates determined by the electoral votes. The case is similar for the vice presidential slot, except on two conditions: the Senate takes the final decision by simple majority votes to determine the Vice President and only the top two final candidates are voted on.

The ramifications of any election is only amendable by Congress. The implications of the analysis are explicitly clear for this election. With President Obama having obtained 50.39% more than the 51 percent popular votes in addition to the 332 electoral votes, he fulfilled both of the constitutional demands.

At noon on Jan. 20, 2013, the former administration shall formally end, and that date shall mark the commencement of the new administration.

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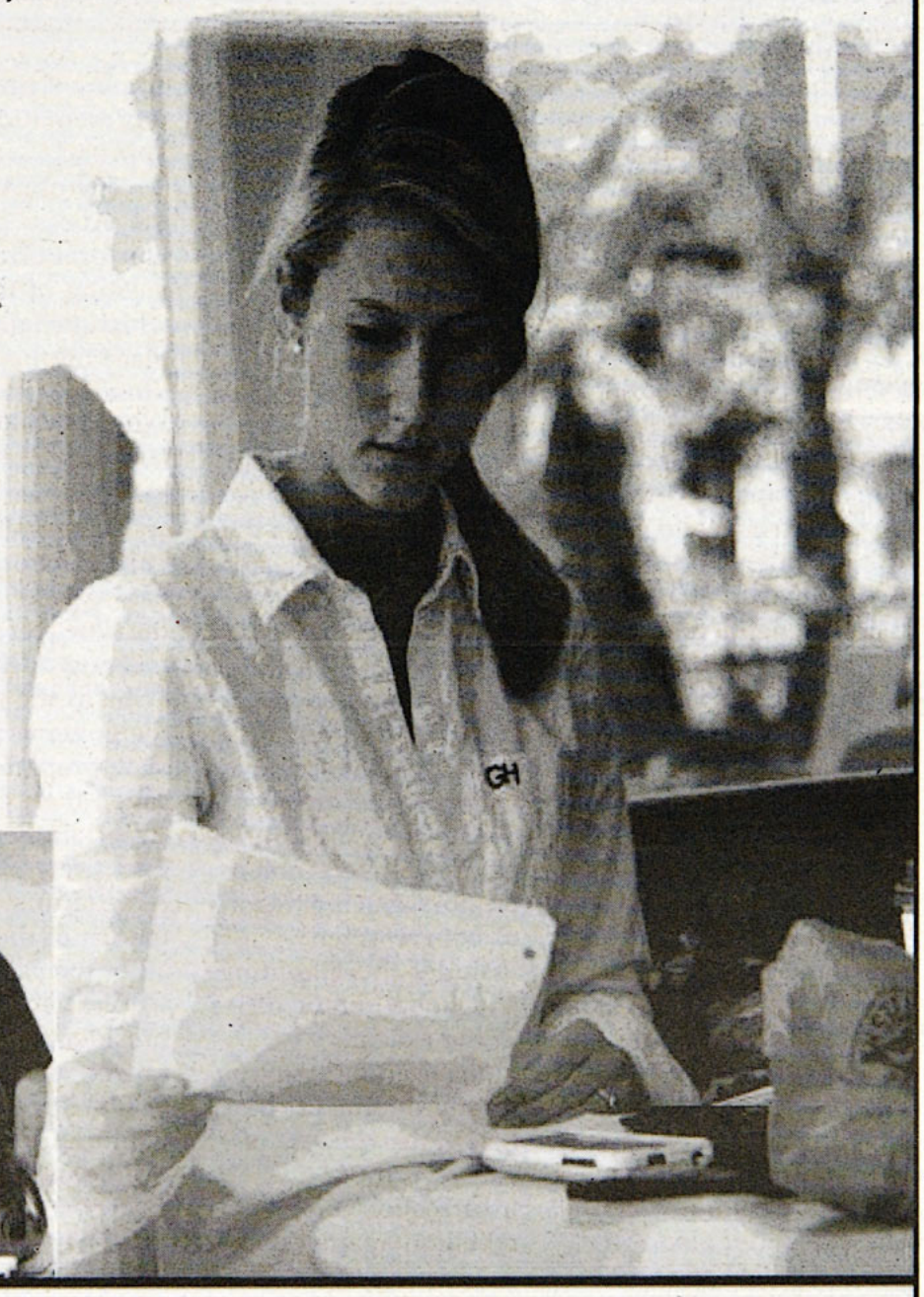

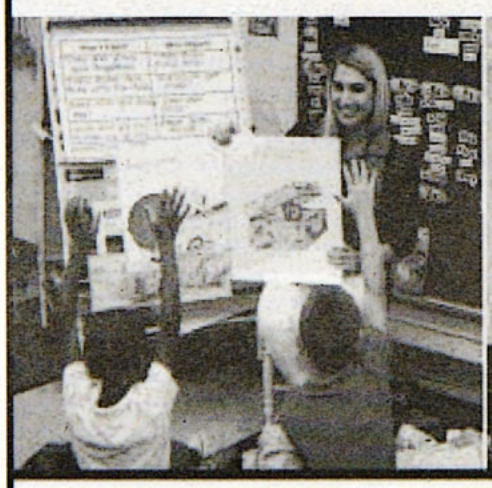

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Campus News

Collecting long sleeve shirts for a cause

By Genny Feiler
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A statement written in bold black letters, "Long Sleeves shirts for Migrant Workers," was attached to a table outside of the Student Community Center.

On Nov. 8 and 9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., members of Imago Dei - meaning "image of God" in Latin- took turns sitting behind a table with a box and collecting any long sleeve shirts that students and faculty may not need or use anymore.

Imago Dei may not be the largest Student Government Union recognized group on campus, but the issues they focus on are no small matters.

"We are a pro-life group, but we do not just focus on abortion," Senior Bridget Plimley said. "We also focus on the death penalty, the elderly, and pretty much any human rights and human dignity issue. So we are all about making sure people have their dignity and are kept safe."

> "We are all about making sure people have their dignity and are kept safe," said senior Bridget Plimley.

Other members agreed and expanded on the clubs main issues.

"We're basically focused on pro-life issues, not just abortion, but any situation where the sanctity of human life is compromised," Sophomore Club President Zach Brasseur said. "We work to raise awareness of those issues and fight them."

The club holds meetings the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month at 8 p.m. in the University Ministry Office located in De Chantal Hall. They have big plans for next semester according to the club's president, and everyone is more than welcome to get involved.

"We are going to The March for Life next semester in Washington D.C. and we are also going to try to bring in a speaker who was a death row chaplain to talk about capital punishment," Brasseur said.

What may look to be a small project is a huge step towards fulfilling one of Saint Leo University's six core values: Community.

Should voting online be available?

By Kathleen Weldon
Contributing Writer

When the election comes around every four years, people go out and vote at their local town hall or if they are not in their own county or state, they may use an absentee ballot. But in today's day and age with things such as banking and shopping being done online, should voting be added to the internet world?

Voting online can make voting faster and easier for people who are not able to go out and vote.

"I think it is almost silly at this point to continue to ignore the positive impact online voting could have," Professor of History Douglas Astolfi said.

People normally do a lot of other things online such as shopping or banking which has worked for them so far. But voting has been something that people do not want to put into computers that are easily hacked.

"They are the same people who continue to refuse to bank by mail, use PayPal to buy tickets for events, pay bills online, or submit their tax returns electronically," Astolfi said.

Some students do not feel comfortable with the idea of voting online. "I would want to go out and vote anyway because I would feel safer about it," Senior Courtney Murphy said.

Others think the computers would easily be hacked.

"I feel like it would be rigged or messed up," senior Samantha Rohr said.

Astolfi hopes that one day it will change and online voting will be made available to everyone.

"The system will change and, we can hope, by 2016 voting will be a common way for people to cast their vote ending the long lines and adding to the number of citizens who choose to participate in elections."

The Native American Dream Catcher

By Matthew Beil
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When one thinks of a dream catcher, one brings up an image of a round object made of a fake wood-like material, with sting in the middle woven in an intricate patter on the inside of the circle. The outside of the ring is adorned with feathers that drape down. But what is its purpose? Where did it come from? There is more to it than people realize.

The origin of the dream catcher is difficult to trace since Native American tribes have lost much of their culture due to disease and persecution. The dream catcher we know today first gained popular notice in the Pan-Indian movement of the 1960s and 1970s. The idea behind the movement was that no matter the tribe, Native Americans were united. The modern known style of dream catcher was first made by the Ojibwa (Chippewa) and was seen by some Natives as a symbol of unity. Another opinion, however, in the Native American community is that dream catchers are being mistreated by those who are not of Native American decent. The original dream catchers were constructed from red willow wood and animal sinew, and then after completion they were placed over the sleeping area where the suns first rays would hit it. The dream catcher would attract all dreams to the web. The bad dreams got

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Art & Entertainment

Student art show

By Rachel Capitola
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The lobby of St. Edwards Hall was packed on Nov. 8 with students, teachers, and guests excited to finally be able to peruse the artwork done by students.

The event had several entertaining features. The main attraction was a gallery that showcased drawings, photographs, sculptures, and paintings straight from the University's creative minds. In the middle of everything, a long table was stretched with snacks for everyone to enjoy: vegetables, cheese cubes, and decorated cakes. Music and performances were provided by S.A.S.S and string groups.

There were so many people at the event that it was sometimes difficult to hear over the chatting and the laughing. Students and staff claimed it was a successful night.

"It seemed that everyone there liked the artwork and performances," said Freshman Marie Ryan.

"I love seeing what the art and photo students have been creating, to visit with art teacher Trisha Toms and hear the singers," said Lynn. Altman, a staff member.

Some of the most interesting pieces included a crafted portal gun, a sculpted turtle, and a colorful painting of koi fish. There were also various photographs hung around the walls which showcased themes such as nature. Pieces varied from colorful arrays, to monochromatic canvases, and to black and white subjects. In spite of the small space, there were lots of works to gaze upon and enjoy.

"The Mona Lisa, the violin, and the turtle were all outstanding, as were many other pieces," said Altman. "I would have to say the aforementioned really peaked my curiosity and imagination. I also enjoy seeing all of the photographs."

A good portion of students suggested that anyone who had not attended an art gallery on campus should take advantage of the next opportunity.

"The department at Saint Leo is very talented and I think that people should go to experience it," said Ryan.

"It's good to put yourself in an environment that will open that other side of your brain, the creative side," said Altman. "I try to attend every time."

The University tries to show the community what the student body is capable of in regards to ingenuity, style, and artistic flare. This event was only one of many opportunities for students to display their abilities and to be amazed by other individual's talents.

Altman best summed up the art show with a single question: "How do these people come up with these things!?"

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caught in the webbing and were destroyed with the suns light. The good dreams would drip down the feathers to the sleeper below.

Page Ramesy-Hamacher, who was in charge of putting together the event, said that dream catchers are "a neat way to learn about Native American Culture and the students really enjoy it." Indeed, they did. Many were crowded around the table just inside the entrance to the dining hall, making their very own dream catchers.

Yet how much do people really know about Native Americans? When asked if he felt that Native Americans were repressed, Cam Silver, an international studies and history major said, "Yes, from the start of the Mayflower."

Silver also stated that he had a dream catcher of his own.

The Native Americans had established themselves here many centuries before the first European explores. This, however, meant that the Native American population did not have any immunity to the diseases brought over by the Europeans. Indeed, many smaller tribes died out from a combination of disease and superior weapons. The larger tribes fought or moved away from the invaders, which caused turmoil and conflict with other tribes further inland. Over time, as America expanded more and more indigenous people were displaced, eventually most Native Americans were forced on to reservations in Oklahoma or Arizona.

Today, there are many tribes on the comeback that are regaining their cultural identity, despite the main stream stereotypes portraying them as savages or casino runners. If one were to spend time on a reservation, one might get a different picture. Some tribes have integrated well into American society and are very successful in businesses that they pass on to tribal members.

If one is interested in Native American history, art, or culture, there are many excellent books about many different tribes. The Native American dream catcher has become a very popular symbol of Native culture.

Willful ignorance, GMO's, Monsanto, and you

By Cheyenne Johnson
Contributing Writer

On Friday, Nov. 9 Professor Sorrentino spoke on the topic of Willful Ignorance; GMO's, Monsanto, and you.

To give some background information, Professor Sorrentino worked in genetic research since 1995, almost 15 years he worked on how blood cells can become tumorous. So the topic he spoke on is very close to him.

GMO stands for genetically modified organism. This means it is an organism that has had its genetic information transferred to another organism; this is known as a recombinant DNA procedure.

"People manipulate things" said Sorrentino. In Kenya people would fertilize crops that were cultivated.

An example of this is corn. Individuals take the best corn that comes out of every harvest and replant only those seeds. This in turn produces better corn and not the useless corn that other harvests have produced.

A quote from Charles Darwin said "the good effects of crossing, or the evil effects of self-fertilization." This is saying that if organisms, such as corn, can be crossed with only the good genetic traits then the result is always good. But if farmers continued to let corn self-fertilize and plant all the seeds they produce, then there will still be some bad outcomes.

Mendel believed that people are able to use a mathematic outcome to predict the result of a cross. This worked in his research with pea plants and through the years scientists have found out that Mendelion inheritance applies to almost all living things.

It is known that some GMO's can help us. For example, in 1978, scientists produced insulin that was identical to that of a human. In the past they had been using insulin from the pancreas of cows and pigs but it was not an identical match to human insulin and therefore had no effect. The scientists took the human insulin gene, Escherichia Coli, and planted it inside of bacteria. This, in turn, produced more human insulin.

The most prevalent question that Professor Sorrentino asked was "how GMO's hurt us." Monsanto is a company that works on genetic research. This company marketed genetically modified plants for agricultural use. They produced corn that was resistant to herbicide and corn that produced insecticide.

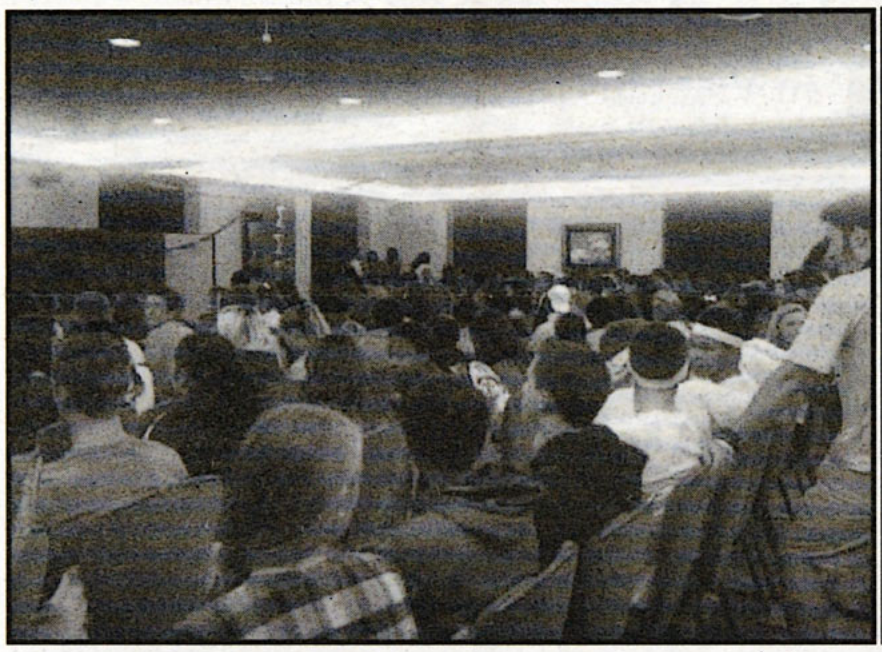
It is possible that genetically modified corn can cause an increased likelihood for tumor formation. Scientist did a study with rats where the genetically modified corn was constantly in their diets. It turns out that all the rats that had this corn diet for a long period of time produced tumors. The result showed scientists that pesticides with corn can be a big problem.

Now the question is after hearing this information, are students still going to eat genetically modified foods even though there is a risk of being ill? This could be why so many people in the world will only eat organic foods.

This is something students could possibly look into if they eat GM foods.

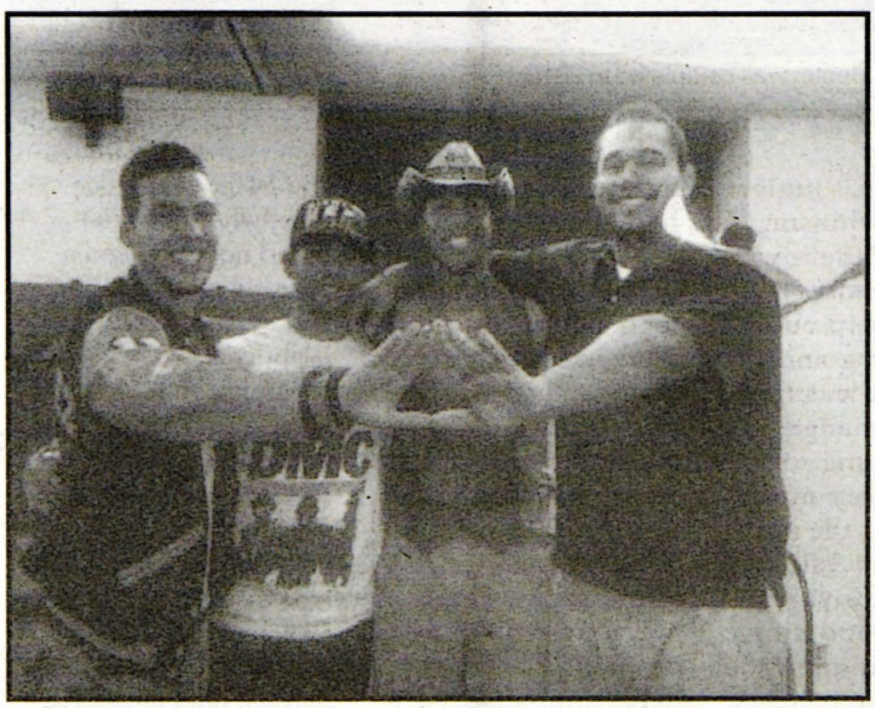
Art & Entertainment

White Girl Wasted, the 2-time winner of the Shake Rattle and Stroll competition, danced an impressive and comical routine that wowed the crowd as well as the judges. Featured left, they stand with their winning trophy as well as their numerous prizes. The competition, hosted by Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, featured many dance groups who showed off their talents to the packed audience in the SSC Boardrooms.

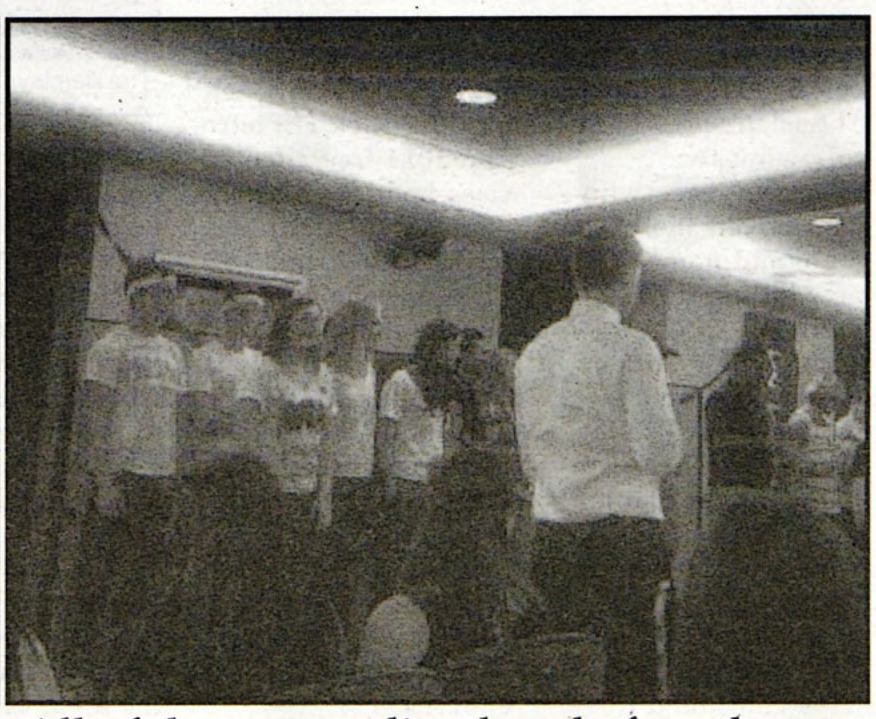


The crowd waited anxiously for the event to begin, knowing that there was to be an exciting night ahead of them.

Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority hosted the event so their dances did not count in the final judging. They did, however, perform exhibition dances for the crowd.



Javier Sanchez, Carlos Ramos, Winston Hawkins, and Santi Lopez performed.



All of the groups lined up before the judges to hear the final decision.

Sports

Volleyball defeats Panthers in final home game

Four recognized on Senior Night at Marion Bowman Center

By Matthew Hewitt
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On Saturday, Nov. 10, the volleyball team defeated the Florida Tech Panthers in four sets inside the Marion Bowman Activities Center. Four seniors were recognized before the senior night game, and they all contributed to the win.

The Lions played a hard-fought first set, but eventually lost 24-26. In the second set, the Panthers were one point away from winning when a kill attempt was sent towards the ground, but was dug by Jordan Sisson. The ball was lined just above the court. As a last ditch effort, Senior Abby Lovell stuck out her leg and kicked the ball just high enough for Taylor Hegg to lunge and send it over the net. The Panthers followed that up with another kill attempt, but had it blocked by Senior Sami Vierk, tying the game at 24. The Lions used the momentum from the play to go on to win.

With the game tied at one set apiece, the Lions came out after the short break and dominated the next two sets. The third set was won by a score of 25-16 and the final fourth set was extremely one-sided as Saint Leo won 25-6.

All four seniors played well on the way to the victory in their final game at home. Lovell led the team with 21 set-assists. Vierk led the team in blocks with eight, and added 10 digs. Heather Martin had five digs and four kills, while Lucy Fricker contributed with two kills and five digs.

"It was great to get a win, especially on senior night," said Fricker, who has played volleyball for the Lions for four years. "When I look back at my career at Saint Leo, I know I'll have nothing but great memories."

Juniors Meghan Donovan and Molly Alexander led the Lions in kills and digs, with 16 and 22, respectively. Saint Leo won the statistical battle as well, totaling 14 blocks and 7 aces compared to Florida Tech, who had nine blocks and only one ace. The Panthers' hitting percentage was .007 for the match, while the Lions' was .187.

The win improves Saint Leo's overall record to 11-15 and their conference record to 3-11.

Although the seniors have played in their last game at home, they still have one match left on Friday, Nov. 16, in Fort Lauderdale against the Nova Southeastern Sharks.

New York Islanders agree to new home

Barclays Center in Brooklyn to replace Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum

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The dark days still loom around the N.H.L. lockout, but good news came from the New York Islanders organization. Owner Charles Wang has agreed to bring the team to Brooklyn to play in the Barclays Center for the next 25 years, beginning in the 2015-16 season.

Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum is the current home of the Islanders on Long Island. Both the Coliseum and the Barclays Center host hockey, basketball, concerts, and events. The Islanders will be following the Brooklyn Nets, who just moved their team, logo, and name to the new billion-dollar arena.

The New York Islanders were a storied franchise in the 1980s. They won four straight Stanley Cups from 1980-1984. Since then, however, the trophy has not been hoisted on the 'Island.' Struggles have continued for several years now, and the Coliseum is aging by the day. This is a crucial combination for free agents, fans, and overall play of the team.

General Manager Garth Snow has made youth and defense main priorities for the development of the team for years to come. The Isles had seven draft picks in the 2012 N.H.L Draft. They selected one defender in each of the seven rounds, including the fourth overall pick in the draft, Griffin Reinhart. They have had several top five draft picks in the 2000s, including their once- upon-a-time prized first overall pick on whom they spent $150 million: Rick DiPietro. The 2015 free agent class includes big-named stars, such as Jason Spezza and Patrick Kane.

The mixture of young talent and continuous draft picks have built the system to a high energetic level, where they will show off their skills in front of roughly 15,000 fans. The transition will be a money-making experiment.

"Having the Islanders move to Brooklyn is a bold statement for their organization," Junior Robert Hutchinson said. "With the town of Hempstead not willing to help out Charles Wang and the Islanders, it was time to make a change."

The Barclays Center was completed in 2012. Photo courtesy of Undeviginti, via Wikimedia Commons.

"By moving to Brooklyn, they are able to keep the New York name, while keeping the loyal fan base close, updating the surroundings, and the area. The business side of the deal works for the Islanders, Barclays Center, and the state of New York by creating more revenue."

The Islanders will keep the name and logo as it is, for now. They are making many changes so the possibility still lingers.

"I would like to see new colors and uniforms," Sophomore Ryan Shute said. "The amount of time they are taking to create everything else, why not make those kinds of changes as well?"

Mixed reactions still debate for N.H.L fans and Islanders fans on whether or not to see a brand new logo and a possibly new team name, such as the Brooklyn Islanders.

Brooklyn has officially taken a step forward with the addition of the Barclays Center. Profit for organizations, such as the Nets and the Islanders, was a main reason for the switch. It is a great recruitment place for players, fans, and, of course, money.